

**WELCOME TO
STAHL MENNONITE CHURCH**

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April 17, 2022

**EASTER MORNING
WORSHIP SERVICE – 10:30 A.M.**

**LENT 6: SEEKING GOD’S WAYS –
From Certainty to Openness**

Worship Leader: Neil Lehman

Music Leaders: Rachel Allen & Leah Rittenhouse

Recorded Music: “I Know That My Redeemer Lives”
from “The Soil and the Seed Project” by – Walking Roots

Greeting:

Leader: Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed!

Welcome and Announcements

Lighting the Peace Lamp: Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 –

from “Psalms for a New World”

Gathering Songs: “Christ the Lord is Risen Today” VT 346
“Christ has Arisen, Alleluia” VT 341

Call to Worship :

Leader: Together we seek the way of God—
Left: **the generous,**
Right: *compassionate,*
Left: **grace-filled,**
Right: *inclusive,*
Left: **abundant,**
Right: *powerful,*
Left: **unsettling,**
All: *way of God.*
Leader: On this day that God has made,
may our hearts be open to the good news:
Christ is not here, for he is risen.
All: *Jesus Christ is risen indeed!*

Prayer

Special Music: “Burgeon” by Dan Becker sung by –
Leah Rittenhouse and Rachel Allen

Sharing Our Joys and Concerns: “*God of Love, Hear our Prayer*”

Music: “The Strife Is O’er” VT 356

Scripture: Luke 24:1-12

Message: “Factitious Tarradiddles and Idle Tales” – Jayne

Silent Reflection

Open Responses

Special Music: “Easter Song” by Anne Herring played by –
Beth Hillegass on flute and Matt Hunsberger on piano

Sending Song: “Christ is Alive and Goes Before Us” VT 565

Sending Words

Dance Party: (If you would like to remain and continue the
celebration with music and dance)

**Resource used: Leader Magazine Worship Resources, Winter 2021-22*

Bulletin Editor for April: Ellen Lehman – 814-288-1961
Church Sign for April: Rod and Cindy Lehman
Front Table for April: Worship Committee
St. Francis Sharing & Caring Item for April: Toilet Paper
Offering: 04/10/2022 – \$ 1,653.70 – Regular
 150.00 – Highland Health Clinic
 \$1,803.70 = TOTAL

***** **COMING EVENTS** *****

April Mission Offering: Highland Health Clinic
Easter Sunday, Apr. 17, 6:00 am: Easter Sunday Sunrise Service at Hunsberger’s farm (**note time change!**)
Easter Sunday, Apr. 17, 10:30 am: Sunday Service at the church.
Mon.–Thurs., Apr. 25-28: AMC Pastor’s Bible Study at Laurelville
Wed., May 4, 7:00 pm: Church Council
Mon.-Sun., May 9-15: Jayne taking vacation time off
Wed., May 18: Lay Leaders
Fri.–Mon., May 27-30: MCUSA Special Delegate Gathering in Kansas City

***** **NOTES & ANNOUNCEMENTS** *****

Happy Anniversary: Wish the following a Happy Anniversary today or send them a card this week: Thurs., April 21 – Dave & Cathy Miller

Jayne will be in the office on Wednesday and Friday and is available other times by texting or calling 330-224-3944 or emailing stahlmennonite@gmail.com

Thanks so much to everyone who helped with all the Good Friday and Easter worships. The readers, musicians, space providers, lily orders and everyone who participated made these truly special services.



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Johnstown, Pennsylvania

April 17, 2022

FOCUS STATEMENT:

*As we seek God's way,
we move from the confidence of knowing how things are
to the unsettling openness of realizing
God's ways are beyond what we can imagine.*

We commit to love and obey God, and through the power of the Holy Spirit follow Jesus, sharing the story of God's love, forgiveness, and grace, making God's kingdom of peace and justice more present on Earth.

Our Mission Offering for April is the Highland Health Clinic. You will be hearing more about this work next week with our guest speaker. It provides free *medical* and *pharmaceutical* care to uninsured people across the greater Johnstown region.

Johnstown Christian School Tour Choir & Handbell Choir will be at Oakland United Methodist Church, 1504 Bedford St., Johnstown, PA on Sun., May 1st at 7:00 pm.

Common Grounds Outreach is excited to announce on **May 20-21, 2022** our Women's Conference 2022 is **BACK!** This year it is all about ***Transforming Relationships*** in our lives, with others & with God! Invite all the women in your life to be blessed through worship, guest speakers, prayer, food, fellowship and activities. Registration is open at commongroundsoutreach.org. We can't wait to see you!

Thank you for your continued generous giving of your finances.

Without each of you we would not be able to do the work of the church. The beginning of the year, with winter weather and lingering Covid concerns, has us **off to a slow start in our finances**. Hopefully as we get out more and warmer weather comes, giving will increase. As always, you can give in the offering plate in the back of the sanctuary on Sunday mornings or mail your offering to the church or to Kathy Thomas (our new assistant treasurer). You can also give electronically on our website. (Remember that you have the option to cover the cost of processing the donation as well.) This can easily be set up as a recurring offering, so you don't have to worry about finding the checkbook each week! However you give, know that the work of Stahl Mennonite Church cannot happen without it!

Because of the decline in Covid 19 cases, CDC recommendations for masking have eased. Conemaugh Medical Center has also moved into "green" phase because of low covid numbers. Therefore, **Lay Leaders are recommending we make masking optional in** who has been vaccinated. Thanks for your patience and care **for our worship gatherings**. If you are immunocompromised or are protecting someone in your household, you may choose to continue masking, but we are no longer recommending this for everyone's health.

***** **PRAYER REQUESTS** *****

Joy Cotchen

Gus Barrett-Fox

Wingard Family

Sam Speigle

Ed Diehl

Dan Gates

Ellen Lehman

Adam & Lauren Cotchen

Ukraine